JULY 15 ST. VLADIMIR, EQUAL-TO-THE-APOSTLES

TROPARION -- Tone 4

O holy Prince <u>Vla</u>dimir, / Thou wast like a merchant in search of <u>fine</u> pearls. / By sending servants to Constantinople for the <u>O</u>rthodox Faith, / Thou didst find Christ, the <u>pri</u>celess pearl. / He appointed thee to be a<u>no</u>ther Paul, / Washing away in baptism thy physical and spiritual <u>bli</u>ndness. / We celebrate thy <u>me</u>mory, / Asking thee to pray for all Orthodox Christians of <u>Ru</u>ssia /// And for us, thy spiritual <u>chi</u>ldren.

KONTAKION -- Tone 8

- O most glorious Vladimir, in thine old age thou didst imitate the great apostle Paul: /
- He abandoned childish things, while thou didst forsake the idolatry of thy youth. /
- Together with him thou didst reach the fullness of divine <u>wi</u>sdom /
- And through the grace of holy baptism thou wast adorned with purity. ///
- Standing now before Christ our Savior, pray that all Orthodox Christians may be saved.